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SUNNY SQUIBBLES

If some of the energy displayed by the politicians in shaking the hands of the voters, were devoted to shaking up the inefficient office holders, the country would be better off.

It's all right for the candidates to kiss the babies, if they draw the line correctly in the matter of age.

The American people must have their gasoline for pleasure cars, even if the motor trucks distributing the necessities of life have to stop.

In Europe they still keep fighting, but they have reduced it to a 44 hour week basis with time and a half for overtime.

This country pays its movie stars several hundred times as much as its teachers, and yet people kick because the schools don't do good work.

There isn't much game left for the shooting season, but the hunters may be able to get some other sport men, also guides and farmers' cows.

The umbrellas you buy nowadays will wear a long time, provided you leave them unopened in a closet.

Money talks, though a lot of it is borrowed money.

Great many men responding to the demand for more production, by turning out a lot of home brew.

Each party shows a cordial willingness to nominate a woman for an office to which she stands no chance of getting elected.

After weeping bitterly in repentance for his offenses, the modern kid on being let off in court, goes out and brags how they didn't dare do a thing to him.

Most of the people in Northeastern Vermont know the moving picture stars by sight, but mightily few could recognize the photographs of any college president.

The ministers and moral reformers are often invited to sit on the platform at the political rallies, but rarely are they consulted in regard to who shall be run for office.

The American people show their enthusiastic faith in education until it comes to paying the taxes to get teachers.

Denied that there aren't enough seats for the school children, as a lot of them can always sit on the floor.

Having agreed to fine the profiteers, the politicians will no doubt keep their pledge by collecting campaign subscriptions from them.

It is doubtful policy to jail the profiteers, as they might corrupt the morals of the other prisoners.

Cigars cost high but a well disciplined wife will go without a new dress so you can have the customary brand. The woman who held up a trainload of people in Minnesota with a revolver and collected a lot of money must have had experience on Tag Day work.

Teachers are urged to attend the educational conventions. The pupils agree that it is necessary for them to go.

Formerly the candidates used to resign the job they held before running for another, but now they wait until the sheriff removes all doubt by coming to escort them to the inauguration.

Fighting European nations are wading in blood, but in this country they aren't shedding much but ink.

If they don't let up on this scarcity of news print pretty soon, there will also be a scarcity of shrouds.

Some people favor democracy, others want aristocracy, the world has just been fighting against autocracy, and plutocracy is universally condemned, but a lot of people will never be satisfied until they get foolocracy.

Within a few years people used to run to the windows to look at an automobile passing by. Now they merely look out when they hear an airplane overhead.

No great public regret is expressed when a fool sneeder gets smashed up, but people hate to see an automobile iron all twisted to pieces.

The throats of the candidates and the ears of the people are equally in need of rest.

Good many of these politicians who claim to be in it are simply all in.

There would be very little public regret if the people who drive an automobile while drunk, get thoroughly smashed up while being transported to jail.

While a lot of girls have put on overalls and have gone out to help the farmers, a lot of the boys have gone into the cities to sell chewing gum over the counter.

After serving half sized portions of food, the restaurant proprietors feel they are entitled to great credit for reducing prices.

MANY NOTABLES PAY TRIBUTE TO MR. DUNNETT

Impressive Funeral Service at Old Presbyterian Church

Prominent men and women from all sections of the state paid a remarkable tribute to the memory of the late Alexander Dunnett at South Ryegate on Friday, where funeral services for the beloved lawyer and statesman were held in the old Presbyterian church. The remarks made by Rev. George A. Martin, pastor of Grace Methodist church of St. Johnsbury were especially impressive.

Rev. Mr. Martin said in part: "In the house of God we are gathered to pay honor to a man of men, who for nearly three score and ten years has lived and wrought in the state of his nativity. At some other time, those who know him more intimately, and who were associated with him more closely, will speak of him as a lawyer and a jurist. But today, let us think of some of the elemental traits of his character by which he climbed into the confidence and affections of his fellow citizens.

"A man's value to the world is largely judged by the way in which he relates himself to the world. This is a revelation of his character and a declaration of his creed. 'Squire' Dunnett inherited from rugged Scotch ancestry a bodily presence which in any assembly attracted attention. Like Saul, he stood head and shoulders above his fellows. One felt that he was in the presence of a striking personality. He had a hungry and thirsty mind for knowledge. He was a student of books and men. Once having mastered a fact, it was always his. He had an original way of thinking and so clothed his thoughts that many of his quaint sayings and humorous bits of philosophy will long linger in the minds of men. His mind was logical and when once having accepted the premises of his thought, it was difficult to escape the conclusion. To the end he was never dead at the top, but died aleaning.

He was a man of strict integrity in material and intellectual things and out of this came his rock convictions concerning politics and religion. He had large ability to make and hold friends. He gave his best to his friends and held himself and all that he had subject to their call. In his going we feel a keen sense of loss as when some stately cedar green bows and goes down with a great shout upon the mountain side and leaves a lonesome place against the sky."

A short service of prayer was held at the Dunnett summer home at 10 o'clock, which was in charge of the Rev. Mr. Garvin of East Ryegate. At 11 o'clock, the regular services were held in the Old Presbyterian church at East Ryegate and were conducted by the Rev. George A. Martin, pastor of the Grace Methodist church of St. Johnsbury. On relatives and immediate friends of the family attended the prayer services.

The church was filled to overflowing, it being necessary to place a large number of chairs in the aisles in order to accommodate the large crowd of people who had gathered to pay their final tribute to the beloved lawyer. Rev. Mr. Garvin read the scripture, while Rev. Mr. Martin delivered the sermon, offered prayer and pronounced benediction. A very beautiful solo, "And There Shall be Light," was rendered by Mrs. Ernest Clark of South Ryegate. The floral tributes were many and beautiful.

Interment was in the Old South Ryegate cemetery. The bearers were Frank Meserve, Milo Meserve, John Gibson, Alex Gibson, John Creighton and George Beaton, all nephews of the deceased. Relatives and immediate friends of the family who attended the services at the church and the grave were Mrs. Alex Dunnett, Dr. and Mrs. Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. James Creighton, Mr. and Mrs. George Beaton, Miss Florence Gibson, John Gibson, Alex Gibson, Mrs. James Galbraith, George Galbraith, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Shields, Judge and Mrs. L. P. Slack, Mr. and Mrs. David S. Conant, Mrs. F. B. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Newton Hall, Miss Eliza Ross, Mrs. Leland and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miller.

Others present included: Governor Percival Clement, W. B. Stickney, Ludlow, Ex-Gov. Charles W. Gates, Franklin, Hon. John B. Sargent, Ludlow, Judge Taylor, Judge Stanley Wilson, Chelton, Judge Sherman P. Moulton, Burlington; Judge Harland B. Howe, Burlington; Henry Conlin, Burlington; Judge Martin Montpelier; Harry Boldgett, St. Johnsbury; George Hoan, St. Albans; R. M. Harvey, Montpelier; E. M. Harvey, Montpelier; Fred Davis, Springfield; Nat Norton, Lyndonville; G. C. Fyfe, J. Rolf Searles, Arthur L. Graves, James B. Campbell, Walter A. Dutton, Hardwick; Ex-Lieut. Gov. Hale K. Darline, Chelton; J. J. Wilson, Bethel; Charles K. Batchelder, Bethel; Charles A. Plumley, president of Norwich University; Lt. Col. H. R. Roberts, dean of faculty of Norwich University; Col. Frank Tompkins, U. S. A.; Cadet Lieut. E. H. Walter, Dr. W. B. Mayo and George E. Carpenter, trustees of Norwich University; Henry W. Orson, treasurer, Norwich University; George A. Cross, Northfield; Elmer A. Davison, East Burke; J. R. Campbell, Lyndonville; Charles A. Stewart, Lyndonville; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Pickett, Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Ricker, Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Stanley, Mr. Butler, Charles Flint, Rev. Mr. Hamilton, E. A. Cramton, C. S. Wal-

ters, Homer B. Smith, Gilbert A. Woods, A. B. Noyes, Henry Wilson, Rev. Mr. Richards, Parley F. Hazen, Rev. A. P. Grint, Dr. C. A. Cramton, Edgar A. Brown, Louis M. Smythe and Frank Brooks all of St. Johnsbury.

ALEXANDER DUNNETT (Barre Times)

The late Alexander Dunnett of St. Johnsbury was of the type of sturdy Vermonters, both physically and mentally, which one is accustomed to associate with the state. Born in Vermont and reared in the famous old town of Peacham, he developed many of the traits which go to make up a splendid sort of individual. He was keen mentally and possessed of a good knowledge of human nature in its many phases. In law he stood high as a citizen he was rated as one of the best. As a man he was held in high esteem throughout the state. The desire of esteem in which he was held is exemplified by the many honors which came to him ever since he was first admitted to the bar bank in 1877. That he was denied the honor, which he sought, of being a representative of Vermont in Congress, was not because of a low estimate of his worth by his fellow-citizens. And, in this connection, it is rather a strange coincidence that he should have passed away on the day when another contest was being waged very similar to the one in which he participated six years ago. Though denied the distinction of going to Congress, Mr. Dunnett had since then been given other recognition, which showed the extent of the confidence in which his fellow-citizens held him. He was of the type of representative of the state and had come to be recognized as one of the state's leading citizens.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

REGARDING FIREMEN

Editor of The Caledonian: Through the columns of your paper we wish to make reply to the article which appeared in last Friday's issue of the Caledonian regarding the fire department of St. Johnsbury. We feel in justice to the citizens and to ourselves, that a reply should be made as some of the statements in the article are misleading and would convey the wrong impression in the minds of the citizens, as to the amount of fire protection they now have. And also as to the standing of the former members of the St. Johnsbury Fire Department, who have tried to the best of their ability to respond to alarms and to fight fires regardless of condition. And who are now held up before the public as a lot of lawless strikers. When the petition was presented asking for a raise in pay the matter of calling a special village meeting was considered, and ample time given. And the matter could have been adjusted in a satisfactory manner had the trustees made the least attempt. Instead they showed their appreciation of our services in the past by ignoring our petition. It is stated that the change in the department was made upon advice of several of the leading insurance men of St. Johnsbury. Upon investigation it is learned that several of the leading agents have never been consulted upon the matter.

Instead of having a meeting Tuesday night the men went to the various house houses, claimed their personal property and left the town's property in the hands of Chief Marden. It is also stated that twenty members of the call department whose names did not appear on the petition will remain. As far as can be traced none of the former members of the call department will remain. And there were 50 signatures on the petition as a former issue of your paper will show, and several members could not sign because of absence from town, but they have resigned. And as there was only about 60 men in the department, and 50 or more resigned, it is hard according to simple arithmetic to figure how 20 men remain.

The article in the Caledonian was prompted by several members of the former department who felt that it was proper the citizens of St. Johnsbury should know what they had for fire protection, as a greater part of the residents of the village supposed the matter of wages had been satisfactorily adjusted. Otherwise we think the trustees would have remained silent and the citizens would not have known the facts.

We have no fault to find and welcome any new organization that will protect the village from conflagration. But it must be an exceptionally capable lot of men. If 20 call and six regulars will equal or fight fire better and more efficiently than 60 call and four regular men, many of whom have had long experience fighting fires in St. Johnsbury.

Trusting the new department will be as ready to respond to alarms, under all conditions, and render as good service as we have tried to in the past, and thanking you for the space in your paper, and for the opportunity to express ourselves, we be to remain,

Respectfully,
Former Call Men of the St. Johnsbury Vt. Fire Dept.

National convention of Undertakers has been in session. They can expect a lot of dead ones after November 2.

THE READY SERVICE MEN

It was a notable feature of the terrible disaster in Wall street, that the ex-service men seemed to be the first to recover their presence of mind. They knew what to do. This was not merely because they had been through scenes of carnage and disaster and were used to it, but because it was also because their experience in the army made them quick thinkers and practical in an emergency. Former officers of the army and navy were at work within two minutes after the crash came, and already were loading injured people

FALL BEST TIME TO SELECT SEED CORN FOR NEXT YEAR

Should not be Left Until Spring When Good Seed Corn is Scarce—Requirements for First Rate Seed, and Points to be Considered in its Selection.

Early selection of seed corn is of special importance this year, according to specialists of the Department of Agriculture. Much of the corn is at least two weeks late, and early fall frost would cause a repetition of the conditions in 1917, when a large part of the corn crop was frozen and was unfit for seed. The following spring, seed corn was very scarce and high.

Good seed corn is the secret of a good corn crop, and autumn is the time for the selection of corn to be planted the following season. Many farmers put off seed selection until the spring when there is a scarcity of good seed corn. There is danger in this delay every year, but when the crop is late, as it is this year, the danger is especially great. Each spring the Department of Agriculture receives reports from many sections telling of the willingness of farmers to pay good prices for seed corn and their inability to obtain it.

This scarcity could be prevented by selecting the seed when it is most abundant and when the very best can be obtained—at ripening time when it has been in no way reduced in vitality. Many let this opportunity pass, the farmers expecting to purchase their seed corn only to find that they can not buy as good seed as they could have selected in the autumn.

REQUIREMENTS FOR FIRST

Until a community has its experienced and honest corn breeder, the best place for the farmer to obtain seed corn is from fields on his own farm or in his neighborhood, that were planted with a variety that has generally proved most successful in that locality. By far too many farmers consider seed good simply because it will grow. To be first class, seed corn must be—

Well adapted to the seasonal and soil conditions where it is to be planted.

From well-grown productive plants or a productive variety.

Well matured and preserved from ripening time to planting time in such a manner that will retain its full productivity.

The importance of these three requirements has been demonstrated through experiments by the Office of Corn Investigations, Bureau of Plant Industry, United States Department of Agriculture, and the results given in Farmers' Bulletin No. 1175, recently published by the department.

At corn ripening time, specialists of the department advise, don't all of the business and select an abundance of seed corn. The process is too important to be conducted incidentally; while husking. Seed corn should be selected from stalks standing where they grew. In this way the seed corn can be obtained from—

Stalks that have an inherent tendency to yield well, as shown by their superiority over surrounding

into automobiles and starting them for the hospital.

An incident like this proves what many people have been claiming, that men who went through the army experience would be very valuable in the exigencies of daily life. Quick thinkers count everywhere, and the discipline of the service created that capacity.

MRS. GOULD SPEAKS TO MOTHERS

In a nice letter to Dr. J. F. True & Co., Mrs. Irving Gould of Chesterland, Ohio, says: "As my boy is sick and in much need of your Elixir, I ought not to be without it. I cannot speak too much praise. Dr. True's Elixir has done wonderful things for my children, and I will gladly answer any mother's letters in regard to the medicine and suffering children."

Mrs. Gould is one of thousands of mothers who look after the health of their children by giving them Dr. True's Elixir, the Family Laxative and Worm Expeller. If your children have these symptoms give them Dr. True's Elixir.

Symptoms of Worms: Bad Breath, swollen upper lip, sour stomach, occasional pains, pale face, eyes heavy and dull, twitching eyelids, itching of the nose and rectum, short dry cough, red points on the tongue, starting during sleep, slow fever. Dr. True's Elixir, The Family Laxative and Worm Expeller, is sold at "all dealers." Three sizes. Buy the large size.

Smith's Horse Shows

A horse belonging to the Smith Cash Grocery company had a narrow escape on Saturday when it started to run with the approach of a train on the Boston and Maine line at the Passumpsic street crossing and ran along side of the train for a short distance. The horse crashed against the second car of the passenger train but suffered only a scratch of the front leg. The young man who was driving the horse was in a house at the time the horse started to run away. The horse stopped after the train passed without further damage being done. The horse is never frightened of a train but when alongside of one tries to keep pace with the train.

Jud Tunkins.
Jud Tunkins says many a young man with a fine future has used most of it up admiring its possibilities.

SAFEGUARD YOUR CHILDREN'S HEALTH

This is always of vital importance. Many simple ailments undermine a child's health, preventing physical and mental progress if not corrected.

A simple, harmless and yet most effective preparation for children's use is Milk of Magnesia. Doctors recommend it as an antacid and mild laxative. Colic, flatulence, constipation, biliousness, intestinal indigestion, dyspeptic diarrhea and hives are a few of the many children's ailments which are promptly relieved by using it according to directions.

ReXall Milk of Magnesia is best. It is many times more effective as an antacid than lime water, and it is mildly laxative. Lime water on the other hand is constipating, a condition we should avoid when giving medicine to children. It is superior to chalk, as the latter constipates and causes flatulence. Bicarbonate of Soda has a disagreeable taste and often causes flatulence and nausea. ReXall Milk of Magnesia has none of these disadvantages. Solid forms of magnesia are not entirely soluble and may cause dangerous concretions during continued use. ReXall Milk of Magnesia is entirely soluble in the acids of the stomach and intestines and possesses all the virtues with none of the disadvantages of the solid forms.

Use Milk of Magnesia whenever an antacid or laxative is indicated. You will safeguard your children's health.

REXALL MILK OF MAGNESIA is made full U. S. Pharmacopoeial strength and purity and by a process peculiar to this brand alone which makes it a most elegant and stable compound; almost tasteless, it is pleasant to take, highly efficacious and reliable and not in any way injurious. Be sure to get REXALL MILK OF MAGNESIA at the ReXall Drug Store, as it is not obtainable at any other.

LANDRY'S DRUG STORE ST. JOHNSBURY, VT.

NOW IS THE TIME TO MAKE TOOTHsome FRUIT BUTTERS

Recipes for Making Fruit Butters, Luscious Spreads for Bread—They Are Also Good Served with Meat or in Sandwiches.

To many people fruit butter means apple butter and nothing else; but good as well made apple butter is, that made from pears and peaches is equally good, and a supply made from different fruits will add variety to the preserve shelf.

The following recipes for various kinds of fruit butters have been tested in the laboratories of the United States Department of Agriculture, and are recommended as delicious and wholesome.

APPLE BUTTER WITH CIDER
The peeled and sliced apples may be cooked in the boiled cider to make the butter in one operation or they may be made first into apple sauce, which is then cooked in the boiled cider. With apples of coarse texture the latter method is no doubt preferable; otherwise the method to be used is one of personal choice, as both make equally good butter. The cooking should be continued until the cider and apples do not separate, and the butter, when cold, will be as thick as good apple sauce. The thickness is determined at frequent intervals by cooling small portions.

It usually takes about equal quantities of sweet cider and peeled and sliced apples to make butter of the right consistency. In other words, 5 gallons of sweet cider should be boiled down to 2½ gallons, and 5 gallons of peeled and sliced apples should be added to it either uncooked or as apple sauce.

Two of the essentials of making good apple butter are long, slow cooking (4 to 5 hours) and constant stirring. If sugar is used, it should be added after the cooking of cider and apples is about two-thirds done. About a pound of either white or brown sugar is the usual proportion or less (or not any) may be used, to suit the taste. Apple butter is spiced per gallon of apple butter, but more spoon each of ground cinnamon, according to taste, about half a tea-cup, and allspice being used for each gallon. These are stirred into it when the cooking is finished.

While still boiling hot, apple butter should be packed in hot sterilized glasses, glass jars, or hermetically sealed stone jars, with tightly fitting covers, and processed in a steamer, it is to be kept for some weeks or months.

APPLE BUTTER WITH GRAPE JUICE
If a grape flavor is desired in apple butter it may be obtained by the use of grape juice. To each gal-

lon of peeled and sliced apples, cooked into sauce and strained, 1 pint of grape juice, 1 cup of brown sugar, and one-quarter of a teaspoon of salt should be added. These should cook slowly and be stirred often for 2 hours or until of the desired thickness, then stir in 1 teaspoon of cinnamon and pack hot in hot containers and sterilize.

PEAR BUTTER
The pears should be ripe enough to cook well. After being peeled they are cored and sliced, put in a preserving kettle with a little water, and cooked slowly until soft. The sugar is then added, 1 cup to 1 quart of sliced pears, and cooking is continued very slowly, with frequent stirring, for 1½ to 2 hours. The butter should then be smooth and of the consistency of thick apple sauce. A little lemon juice, with ginger, cinnamon, or other spices to taste, should be well stirred into the hot butter. Pack while hot in hot sealed containers and process with steam.

PEACH BUTTER
Put the peaches in a wire basket and dip them in the boiling water a few seconds until the skin slips—test by raising the fruit out of the water and rubbing the skin between the fingers. Dip the peaches into cold water, peel, and pit them. Well-ripened freestone varieties are best. Mash the pulp, and cook it in its own juice without adding water. If it is rather coarse, put it through a colander or coarse wire sieve to make a butter of fine texture. To each measure of pulp add a half measure of sugar, cook slowly, and stir frequently until the product is of the desired thickness. The meats of several pits may be cooked either whole or sliced in each gallon of butter. While still hot pack in sealed jars or glasses with tight-fitting tops and process, or cover with hot paraffin.

Odd Wedding Arrangements.
A young professor of physical culture married a beautiful and athletic pupil of his in the suburbs of Paris. The couple appeared before the mayor in tennis costume, and after the ceremony the wedding party sat down to breakfast on the banks of the Seine. Hardly was the coffee finished than, on a given signal, the whole party retired and reappeared in bathing costume. Later the couple started on a bicycle tour for a honeymoon.

Is Your Money Helping This Community?

New Banks and new schemes, paying high rates of interest have lately been shown up in their true character as regards security and the integrity of their officials.

Your home Bank can and does pay you a fair rate of interest and you can call on the principal when you need it.

These funds are passed along to local business men and industries to help development and keep our workers employed.

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